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SUBJECT: ICCS POLDEL AMBASSADOR; REDUCTION

ICCS DELEGATION STAFFS

REF: WARSAW 4465(NOTAL); WARSAW 4206 (NOTAL)

1. VICE FOREIGN MINISTER SPASOWSKI ASKED ME TO CALL
ON HIM THIS MORNING. HE TOLD ME THAT, WITH REFERENCE
TO THE EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MADE
BY SECRETARY WEINBERGER AND ME, HE WISHED TO INFORM
ME THAT THE TPOLISH GOVERNMENT HAD DESIGNEATED ITS
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE AT THE UNITED NATIONS, AMBASSADOR
EUGENIUSZ KULAGA, TO HEAD THE POLISH ICCS DELEGATION
FOR "A NORMAL TOUR OF ABOUT SIX MONTHS." IT WAS
EXPECTED THAT, DESPITE HIS MANY OBLIGATION IN NEW YORK,
AMBASSADOR KULAGA WOULD BE ABLE TO ARRIVE IN SAIGON

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IN ABOUT TEN DAYS " OR SOMEWHAT EARLIER THAN THAT."
THIS DESIGNATION, SPASOWSKI SAID, SHOWED HOW MCUH

IMPORTANCE POLAND ATTACHED TO THE CONSTRUCTIVE WORK OF THE ICCS. HE SAID THAT HIS INFORMATION HAD NOT YET BEEN COMMUNICATED TO THE OTHER THREE PARIS AGREEMENT SIGNATORIES, BUT THAT THEY WERE BEING INFORMED.

2. I SAID THAT I WAS PLEASED TO HEAR THIS, BECAUSE, WITH THE RESTORATION OF THE ICCS TO ITS FULL COMPOSITION OF FOUR MEMBERS, WE WERE COUNTING ON AN IMPROVEMENT IN PARIS AGREEMENTS. IT WAS TRUE, AS FOREIGN MINISTER OLSZOWSKI HAD MENTIONED TO SECRETARY WEINBERGER, THAT THE VOLUME OF CEASE-FIRE VIOLATIONS HAD DECREASED SOMEWHAT, BUT WE WERE CONVINCED THAT, IF EACH DELEGATION FULFILLED ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE SPIRIT OF THE PARIS AGREEMENTS, STILL FURTHER PROGRESS COULD BE MADE TOWARDS ATTAINING THE FINAL GOAL OF RESTORING PEACE IN VIETNAM.

3. SPASOWSKI THEN SAID THAT THE DRV GOVERNMENT HAD GIVEN THE POLISH EMBASSY IN HANOI A NOTE ABOUT THE REDUCTION OF ICCS DELEGATION STAFFS AND THAT THE POLISH DELEGATION IN SAIGON HAD RECEIVED A SIMILAR COMMUNICATION. THE MFA HAD NOT YET RECEIVED THE TEXTS OF THESE NOTES. SPASOWSKI THEN READ FROM A REUTERS ITEM DATED YESTERDAY WHICH REPORTED THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AN "AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE" BY THE UNITED STATES, DRV, AND PRG ON THE QUESTION OF THE NUMBER OF ICCS REPRESENTATIVES. THE REPORT SAID THE SAIGON GOVERNMENT HELD A DIFFERENT VIEW ON THIS SUBJECT. SPASOWSKI SAID THE REUTERS ITEM THEN WENT ON TO SPECULATE ABOUT TALK IN SAIGON ABOUT A "DRASTIC REDUCTION" OF UP TO SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT IN THE PERSONNEL OF THE ICCS.

4. SPASOWSKI SAID HE WISHED TO ASK ME TO OBTAIN FOR HIM THE POSITION OF THE USG ON THIS MATTER. HE SAID THE POLISH GOVERNMENT WISHED TO BE INFORMED ABOUT THE US POSITION BEFORE IT DEVELOPED ITS OWN ATTITUDE TOWARDS THIS QUESTION.

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5. ACTION REQUESTED: I WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE : (A) INFORMATION ON THE ALLEGED "AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE" CITED IN THE REUTERS REPORT, AND (B) THE U.S. GOVERNMENT POSITION ON A REDUCTION IN THE SIZE OF THE ICCS DELEGATION STAFFS, WHICH I MAY GIVE SPASOWSKI.
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